

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, members. . .

PRESIDENT: May we have order please.

SENATOR VICKERS: I just hope that there were some people listening to Senator Remmers because I simply want to stand to say that I echo his remarks. If these funds are going to be used for other purposes than what we had designated originally for the school weatherization program, I'm going to have to object to that and for most of the same reasons that Senator Remmers pointed out. Simply stand to object to this amendment also.

PRESIDENT: Is there further discussion? Senator Warner, do you wish to comment?

SENATOR WARNER: Yes. Mr. President, I would hope that you would vote for the amendment because the amendment takes the one million transfer from the energy fund over... that would have gone over to LB 309, deferred maintenance program, so I would think you would want to vote for the amendment that retains that million dollars with the school energy part of the program administered by the Department of Energy. I move adoption of the amendment and then we can talk about the bill as a whole.

PRESIDENT: Motion is to adopt the committee amendments. Is there further discussion? If not, all those in favor of the committee amendments please vote aye, opposed vote nay. Motion is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 607. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: The motion carried, the committee amendments are adopted. Now the bill. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I move the bill be advanced. I have already explained it. I think the only issue that I am aware of, that has been brought up, the bill does permit a hundred thousand currently for geothermal grants to be used for the administrative costs of. . . and the Department of Energy, I think there is currently a hundred thousand this would raise it to in effect to the two hundred thousand. The balance of the bill again is the time, you know, state aid payments, to assist with the cash flow problems the state currently has and in the building authorization. Amortization that was permitted as repealed is a significant